



PATENT APPLICATION

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In re application of

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For: OPTICAL FILM AND LIQUID-CRYSTAL DISPLAY DEVICE

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

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Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated March 28, 2003, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

On page 24, please delete the 1st full paragraph and insert therefor:

As illustrated in Figs. 2 to 4, the plurality of optical path changing means A are provided so that the ridgelines of the optical path changing means A are parallel to or inclined to the incidence side surface on which light is incident. In this case, the optical path changing means A may be formed so as to be continued from one end to the other end of the optical film 1 as illustrated in Figs. 2 and 3, or may be formed intermittently and discontinuously as illustrated in Fig. 4. When the plurality of optical path changing means A are formed discontinuously, it is preferable from the point of view of efficiency of incidence of the transmission light, efficiency of changing the optical path, etc. that the length of each prismatic structures of a groove or a protrucion clong the direction of the incidence side surface is selected to be not smaller than 5.

